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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

16 May 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR THE INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: Release of NIE 51-56, "India Over the Next Five Years,"
to Foreign Governments

25X1C 1. With respect to possible release of NIE 51-56 to foreign governments, [REDACTED] we regard the following considerations as pertinent:

a. Precedent. Estimates relating specifically to India or Pakistan which have been released [REDACTED] include NIE 23, "India's Position in the East-West Conflict," approved by the IAC on 30 August 1951, and NIE 41, "Probable Developments in the Kashmir Dispute to the End of 1951," approved by the IAC on 10 September 1951. On the other hand, estimates not released include: NIE 52-55, "Probable Developments in Pakistan," dated 15 March 1955, SNIE 50-54, "Probable Repercussions of a US Decision to Grant or Deny Military Aid to Pakistan," dated 15 January 1954; NIE 79, "Probable Developments in South Asia," dated 30 June 1953; SE-32, "Consequences of Communist Control Over South Asia," dated 3 October 1952; and SE-17, "The Current Outlook in Pakistan," dated 22 October 1951.

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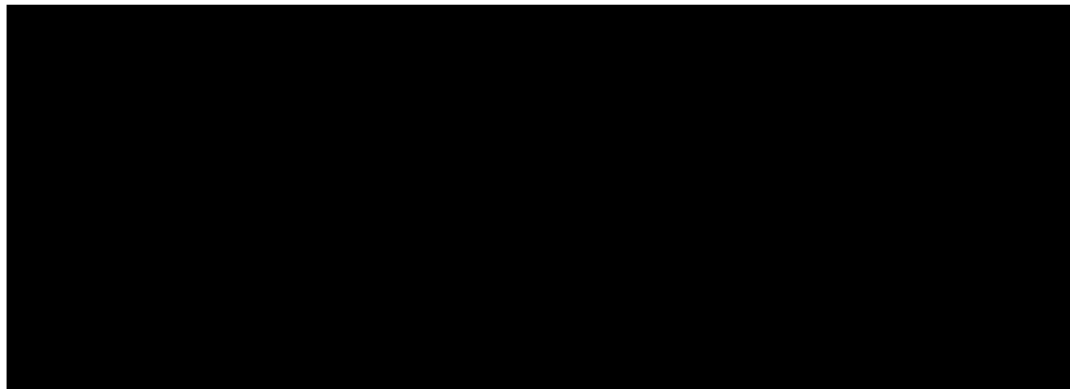
[REDACTED] NIE 72, "Probable Developments in the Union of South Africa," dated 20 October 1952, and various estimates on Malaya, such as NIE 64-56, "The Political Outlook in Malaya," 24 January 1956, NIE 64-55, "Communist Prospects in Malaya and British Borneo," 24 May 1955 and NIE 20, "Resistance of Thailand, Burma and Malaya to Communist Pressures in the Event of a Communist Victory in Indochina in 1951," dated 20 March 1951, [REDACTED]

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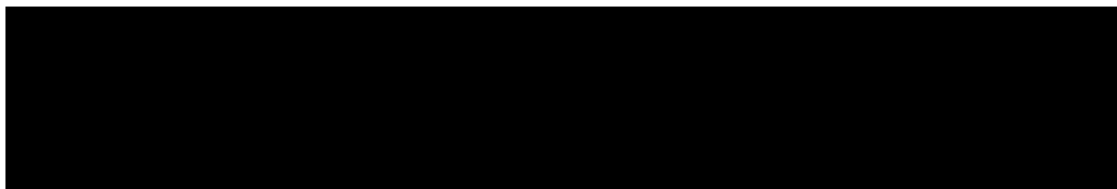
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c. Classification and Sources. This estimate refers to no specific intelligence sources, and does not compromise any NOFORN material for which this Agency is responsible.

d. Substantive. With respect to content otherwise, there does not appear to be any general objection to the release of this estimate.

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2. On the basis of the above factors, and subject to review by other agencies of the issue of compromise of NOFORN materials, the Board perceives no objection, solely from an intelligence viewpoint, to the release of this estimate

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